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SUBJECT: NOVEMBER 5 EC COUNCIL (DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION)

REF: EC BRUSSELS 6190

1. THE EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MET IN BRUSSELS ON NOVEMBER 5
TO CONSIDER DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION. THE COUNCIL TENTATIVELY
AGREED, SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL LATER, ON COMMUNITY POSITIONS ON
SIX POINTS: THE HARMONIZATION OF MEMBER STATES' DEVELOPMENT AID
POLICIES, INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON RAW MATERIALS, GENERALIZED
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PREFERENCES, THE PROMOTION OF EXPORTS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,

REGIONALIZATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR AID PURPOSES, AND PROBLEMS OF PUBLIC DEBTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE COUNCIL'S DISCUSSIONS WERE BASED ON A COUNCIL REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT POLICY PREPARED EARLIER THIS YEAR (EC BRUSSELS 2914).

2. TENTATIVE AGREEMENT ON THE WORDING OF RESOLUTIONS COVERING FIVE OF THE SIX POINTS (ALL BUT THE HARMONIZATION OF AID POLICIES) HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN REACHED BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES AT THE WORKING LEVEL. IT HAD BEEN HOPED BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETING THAT THE MINISTERS COULD REACH FINAL AGREEMENT WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. HOWEVER, FRANCE INSISTED THAT AGREEMENT ON THESE POINTS BE MADE PART OF A PACKAGE WHICH WOULD ALSO INCLUDE TWO ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS -- ON WHICH PRIOR AGREEMENT HAD NOT BEEN REACHED -- RELATED TO MEMBER STATE AID VOLUME TARGETS, AND THE POSSIBILITY OF AID TO NON-ASSOCIATED COUNTRIES. THE MINISTERS WERE UNABLE TO RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES ON THESE POINTS. THE COUNCIL THEREFORE REFERRED THAT "PACKAGE" BACK TO THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES FOR FURTHER COUNCIL MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT, WHICH, IT HOPED, WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE END OF 1973.

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